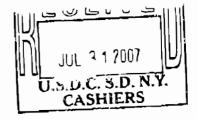
HIDGE HOIWELL

6901

KESARI RUZA (KR 3400) SHEPPARD, MULLIN, RICHTER & HAMPTON LLP 30 Rockefeller Plaza, 24th Floor New York, New York 10112 Telephone: (212) 332-3800 Facsimile: (212) 332-3888



-and-

AMAR L. THAKUR, Cal. Bar No. 194025 JON E. MAKI, Cal. Bar No. 199958 MICHAEL MURPHY, Cal. Bar No. 234695 SHEPPARD, MULLIN, RICHTER & HAMPTON LLP 12275 El Camino Real, Suite 200 San Diego, California 92130 Telephone: (858) 720-8900 Facsimile: (858) 509-3691

Attomeys for Plaintiff NEXTEC APPLICATIONS, INC.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

NEXTEC APPLICATIONS, INC., a Georgia corporation,

Plaintiff,

٧.

BROOKWOOD COMPANIES, INC., a Delaware corporation; and THE HALLWOOD GROUP, INC., a Delaware corporation,

Defendants.

Case No.

**RULE 7.1 STATEMENT** 

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 7.1 and to enable District Judges and

Magistrate Judges of the Court to evaluate possible disqualification or recusal, the undersigned

counsel for Nextec Applications, Inc. (a private, non-governmental party) certifies that said party has no publicly held parents, affiliates, and/or subsidiaries.

Dated: New York, New York July 31, 2007

Respectfully submitted,

SHEPPARD MULLIN RICHTER & HAMPTON LLP

By:

30 Rockefeller Plaza, Suite 2400 New York, New York 10112 (212) 332-3800 (phone) (212) 332-3888 (fax)

Attorneys for Plaintiff NEXTEC APPLICATIONS, INC.